

REMARKS

This is responsive to the Office Action dated June 16, 2005. The Office Action indicates that the indication of allowance of Claims 14 and 15 is withdrawn. Claims 14 and 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,980,583 issued to Staub et al. in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,985,385 issued to Gottfried for the reasons of record stated on pages 2 and 3 of the Office Action.

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. Staub et al. purports to relate to a method of manufacturing durable press garments by inserting garments into an apparatus capable of tumbling the garments. Gottfried relates to a fire and heat protection wrapping system for wrapping conduits, cable trays, transmission lines, cables, and other electrical transmission devices associated with the transmission of electricity and electrical signals, and gas and oil pipelines.

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner indicates that Staub et al. teaches an *"insulating means for thermal protection on source 60 (col. 7, lines 29 - 30)"*. Applicants respectfully disagree. Column 7, lines 29 - 30 of Staub et al., indicates that *"to maintain the 130°F temperature of the durable press resin, the main chemical storage tank can be insulated."* Staub et al. teaches the retention of heat in the storage tank. This is just the opposite of what Applicants are doing. Applicants instant invention relates to thermally protecting temperature sensitive components so as to protect these components from the heat [See page 1, lines 22 - 25 of the instant invention]. Staub et al. does not teach or suggest this. Furthermore, Staub et al. teaches away from the instant invention as it teaches the retention of heat in the storage tank. Thus, as there is no teaching or suggestion to combine Staub et al. and Gottfried, a prima facie case of obviousness has not been met. Hence, as this rejection has been overcome, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection be withdrawn and the claims allowed.

SUMMARY

It is believed that Claims 14 and 15 are now in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request allowance of these claims.

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